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AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

LISTING OF CLAIMS:

Claims 1-9 (Canceled)

Claim 10 (Previously Presented): The faced insulation assembly according to claim 24, wherein:

the odor-reducing additive is at least one essential plant oil that is present in the asphalt coating layer in an amount approximating 1 part by weight of the odor-reducing additive to 10,000 parts asphalt blend.

Claims 11 and 12 (Canceled)

Claim 13 (Previously Presented): The faced insulation assembly according to claim 24, wherein: the kraft paper sheet material includes a foil layer and a kraft paper layer.

Claim 14 (Previously Presented): The faced insulation assembly according to claim 24, wherein: the kraft paper sheet material includes a foil layer, a scrim layer and a kraft paper layer.

Claims 15-22 (Canceled)

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Claim 23 (Previously Presented): The faced insulation assembly according to claim 24, wherein: the kraft paper sheet material of the facing is a fungi growth-resistant kraft paper sheet material.

Claim 24 (Currently Amended): A faced insulation assembly, comprising:

a glass fiber insulation blanket having a first major surface and a second major surface that are each defined by the length and width of the glass fiber insulation blanket, wherein the glass fiber insulation blanket has lateral edges extending along the length of the glass fiber insulation blanket;

a facing formed from a kraft paper sheet material having an outer major surface and an inner major surface, the facing further having lateral edge portions, the lateral edge portions being adjacent to the lateral edges of the glass fiber insulation blanket; and

an asphalt coating layer on the inner major surface of the facing that bonds the facing to the first major surface of the glass fiber insulation blanket,

wherein the asphalt coating layer does not extend to the lateral edges of the glass fiber insulation blanket such that the lateral edge portions of the facing are not bonded to the first major surface of the glass fiber insulation blanket by the asphalt coating layer, and

wherein the asphalt coating layer ~~comprises~~ consists essentially of an asphalt or a blend of asphalts, and an odor-reducing additive consisting essentially of at least one essential plant oil in an amount sufficient to substantially eliminate odor that would otherwise be emitted by the asphalt coating layer without adversely affecting the adherent qualities of the asphalt coating layer.

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Claim 25 (Previously Presented): The faced insulation assembly according to claim 24, wherein the lateral edge portions of the facing are about 0.25 to about 1.5 inches in width.

Claim 26 (Canceled)

Claim 27 (Previously Presented): The faced insulation assembly according to claim 24, wherein the asphalt coating layer further comprises a fungi growth-inhibiting additive.

Claim 28 (Previously Presented): The faced insulation assembly according to claim 24, wherein the glass fiber insulation blanket comprises glass fibers bonded together at their points of intersection with a formaldehyde free binder that is an acrylic thermosetting binder.

Claim 29 (Canceled)

Claim 30 (Previously Presented): The faced insulation assembly according to claim 24, wherein the glass fiber insulation blanket comprises a plurality of cuts and separable connectors extending longitudinally along the glass fiber insulation blanket dividing the blanket into separable insulation sections, wherein the facing comprises a plurality of lines of weakness aligned with the plurality of cuts and separable connectors, and wherein portions of the facing adjacent to the plurality of lines of weakness are not bonded to the first major surface of the glass fiber insulation blanket by the asphalt coating layer.

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Claim 31 (Previously Presented): The faced insulation assembly according to claim 30, wherein the portions of the facing adjacent to the plurality of lines of weakness are about 0.25 to about 1.5 inches in width.